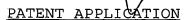
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IN THE UNITATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

: Examiner: Unassigned

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: Group Art Unit: 3731

Appln. No.: 09/780,940

: Filed: February 12, 2001

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ATTENTION: APPLICATION BRANCH, SPECIAL HANDLING UNIT

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b)

AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Initially, please change the Attorney Docket Number to "13202.00195".

Applicant petitions the Commissioner to extend the time for response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) dated March 14, 2001 from May 14, 2001 to July 14, 2001.

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) mailed March 14, 2001, enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form, along with a Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status, a substitute specification and drawings. Also enclosed is a copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) - FILING DATE GRANTED.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit

Account No. 50-1710 for the \$195.00 extension fee, the \$355.00

filing fee, the \$18.00 additional claim fee and the \$65.00

surcharge fee. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees due with respect to this filing to Deposit

Account No. 50-1710. A duplicate of this paper is attached for that purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 625-3500. All

correspondence should continue to be directed to our below-listed address.

Respectfully submitted,

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